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E.O. 11652: XGDS3

TAGS: PGOV, MOPS, WB, GE, US, UR

SUBJECT:AUGUST 15 EXFILTRATION IN U.S. FORCES VEHICLE

1. AT 2305 AUGUST 15 US ARMY SERGEANT (E-5) HARRY BLUE, JR., EXFILTRATED EAST GERMAN HUSBAND AND WIFE (LATTER PREGNANT) FROM EAST BERLIN VIA CHECKPOINT CHARLIE IN TRUNK OF HIS US FORCES REGISTERED 1968 CHEVROLET SEDAN. BLUE HAD ENTERED EAST BERLIN VIA CP CHARLIE AT 2100. EAST GERMAN REFUGEES WERE DISCOVERED HIDDEN IN HOLLOWED-OUT COMPARTMENT BETWEEN REAR SEAT AND TRUNK AFTER THOROUGH SEARCH BY US MILITARY POLICEMEN AT CP CHARLIE, WHOSE SUSPICIONS WERE AROUSED BY BLUE'S NERVOUS BEHAVIOR AND FACT BLUE ENTERING EAST BERLIN AFTER SIDEWALKS THERE ROLLED UP FOR NIGHT.

2. EAST GERMAN BOUNDARY GUARDS AT CROSSING POINT GAVE BLUE'S VEHICLE MORE THAN THEIR USUAL CURSORY SCRUTINE AS BLUE TRANSMITTED CROSSING POINT POSSIBLE BECAUSE REAR OF VEHICLE LOWERED ALMOST TWO INCHES BY WEIGHT OF REFUGEES, BUT BLUE EXPLAINED EAST GERMANS' CAREFUL INSPECTION WAS AS RESULT OF HIS CAR HAVING BRUSHED AGAINST POLE BARRIER ON ENTERING EAST GERMAN PROCESSING AREA.

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3. INITIAL INTERROGATION OF BLUE HAS YEILDED LITTLE IN WAY

OF LEADS. BLUE CLAIMS ALL CONTACTS WITH INTERMEDIARY  
MADE OVER TELEPHONE, BUT WE NOT SATISFIED AND CONSEQUENTLY  
PURSUING INTERROGATION.

RM STATEMENTS BY REFUGEES AND RELATIVE WHO MET THEM IN  
WEST BERLIN INDICATE (A) DM 34,000 PAID THROUGH  
INTERMEDIARY FOR EXFILTRATION, AND (B) EXFILTRATION WAS  
ARRANGED FROM MUNICH AREA.

5. THERE HAS BEEN NO PUBLICITY OF THIS INCIDENT: ACCORDINGLY,  
WE ARE CLOSELY RESTRICTING THIS MESSAGE. GEORGE

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